

State of Vermont
Executive Department
A Proclamation

WHEREAS, perioperative nurses specialize in the care of patients immediately before, during, and after surgical and other invasive procedures; and

WHEREAS, serving in settings ranging from traditional hospital-based operating rooms to ambulatory surgery centers and physicians' offices, perioperative nurses work to provide the safest care possible for patients undergoing surgical and other invasive procedures; and

WHEREAS, perioperative nurses assess individual patient needs prior to and throughout the surgical or invasive experience, develop, implement, and continuously evaluate a plan for the care of the patient, and prepare the operating room and patient for the procedure; and

WHEREAS, perioperative nurses are responsible for monitoring all aspects of the patient's condition for the duration of each procedure and, through professional and patient-centered expertise, are responsible for care coordination after the procedure; and

WHEREAS, patients undergoing surgery and other invasive procedures and their loved ones rely on the skills, knowledge, and expertise of perioperative registered nurses, who uphold a long tradition of improving surgical safety and the quality of patient care.

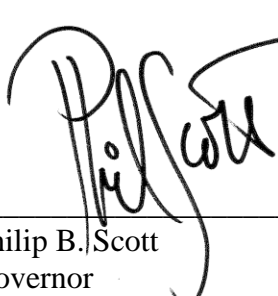
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, do hereby proclaim November 11 - 17, 2018 as

PERIOPERATIVE NURSES WEEK


in Vermont.



Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 2nd day of November, A.D. 2018



Philip B. Scott
Governor



Jaye Pershing Johnson
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs